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Offshore Wind Power Development and its Challenges

Workshop for Offshore Wind Energy Development

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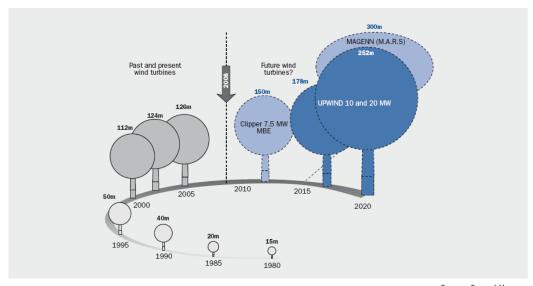
Challenges to US Offshore Wind Market

- Cost of Energy Delivered
 - New technology innovation
 - Streamline permitting
 - Critical mass of industry
- ➤ Long-term public policy
- >Insurance
- **≻**Experience
 - Hardware
 - Workforce development
- First to take the 'plunge'
- > Environmentally responsible
- ➤ Efficient distribution of energy





Turbine technology continues to evolve



Land based Project: ~\$2M/MW

- •Turbine 75%
- **•BOP 25%**

Offshore Project: ~\$4-5M/MW

- •Turbine 45%
- **•BOP 55%**

Source Garrad Hassan

GE 1.5 MW



Siemens 2.3 MW



Vestas 3.0 MW



RePower 5 MW

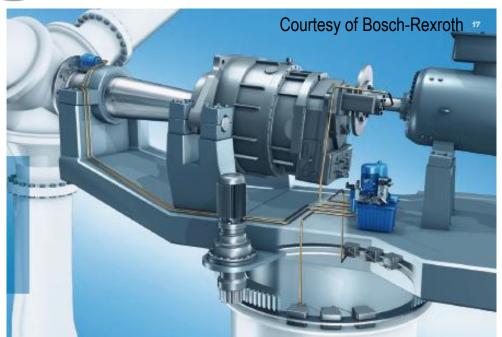


Enercon 7 MW





Increased reliability and reduce cost of energy





Key Issues:

- Gear Boxes
- Bearings
- Materials
- Constructability
- Work force development
- Grid compatibility
- Market compatibility

Challenges:

- Advanced materials
- Predictive failure modeling
- Energy storage
- Sensors
- Gear design
- Construction methodology
- Smart grid integration



CU Wind Turbine Drivetrain Testing Facility



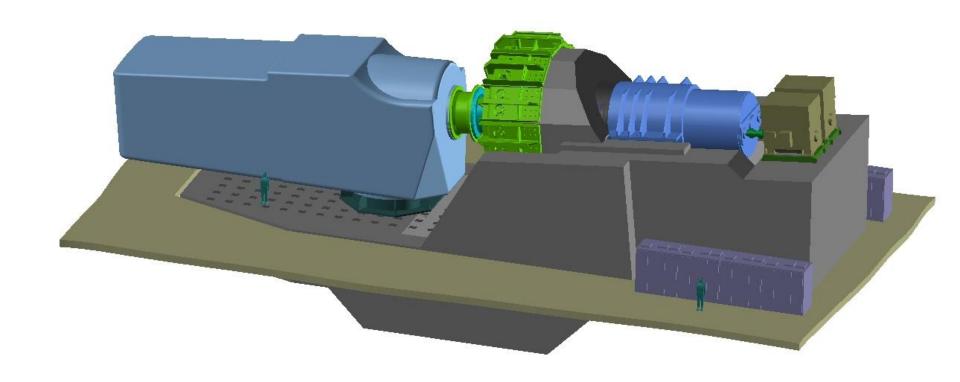
US DOE EERE: DE-FOA-000012 : \$98M Project ■\$45M US DOE EERE, \$53M Matching Funds

<u>Primary Mission</u>: Provide (1) High Value, (2) High Quality and (3) Cost Competitive testing services, with high integrity and respect for the 'end users' intellectual property.

<u>Secondary Mission</u>: Establish long term partnerships with industry for work force development, research and education.

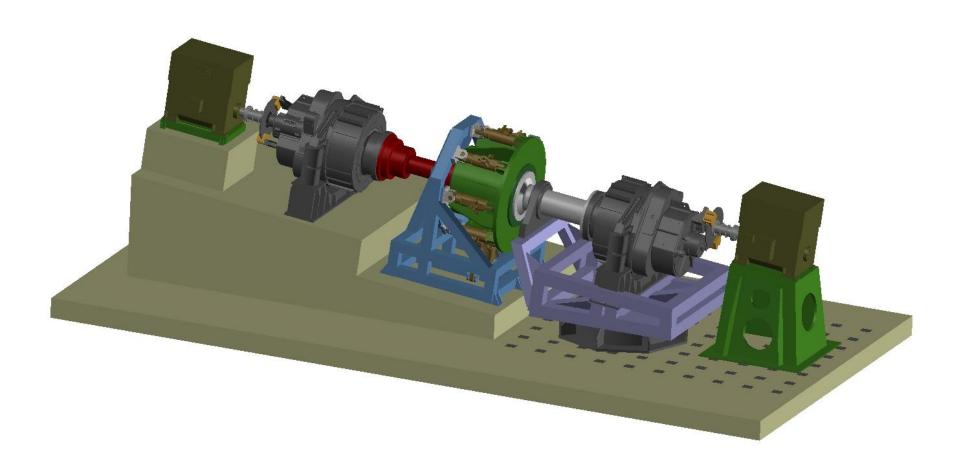


Test Rig #1: 15 MW with Dynamic Load Applicator



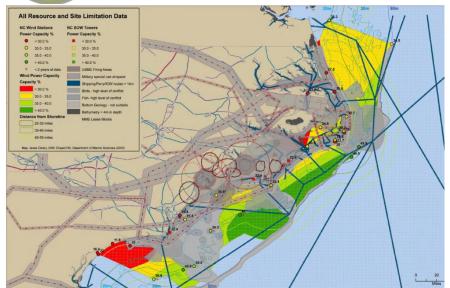


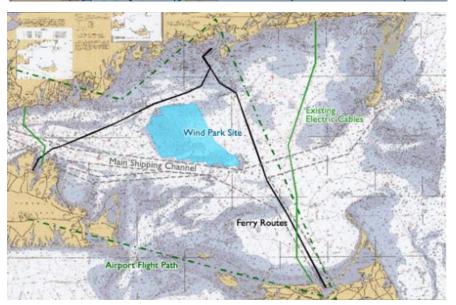
Test Rig #1: 7.5 MW with Static Load Applicator

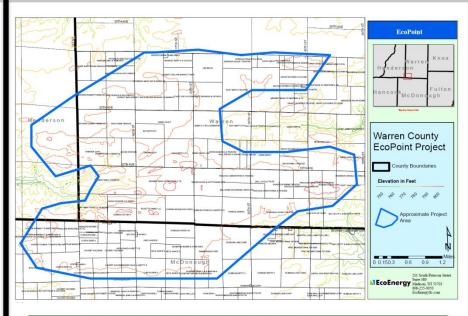


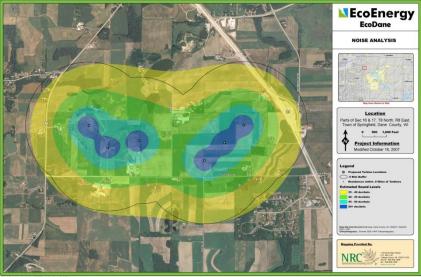


Compare Offshore and Land-based Wind Farm Development

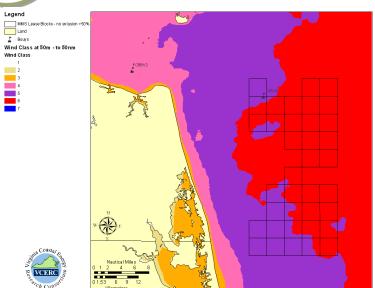






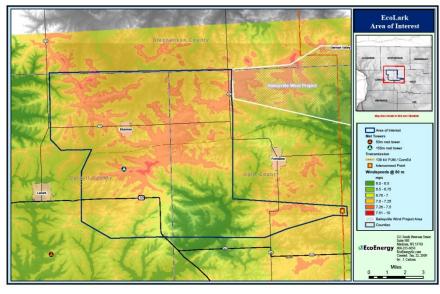


Wind analysis of site















Studies of the proposed site

- Aviary
- Bat
- Archeological
- Wetlands
- FAA
- Lighting Plan
- Microwave Beam Paths
- Road surveys
- Noise
- DOD
- Transmission











Access to the site



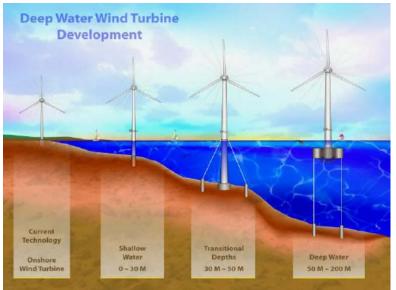








Foundations installed









Key components moved to site











Install electrical infrastructure





























Offshore Wind Turbine Manufacturing and Services Cluster

Tower Fabrication







Turbine Assembly



South Carolina serves as the manufacturing hub



Component Manufacturing



Blade Manufacturing



Construction



Logistics

Foundation Fabrication



Manufacturing Cluster to service markets

